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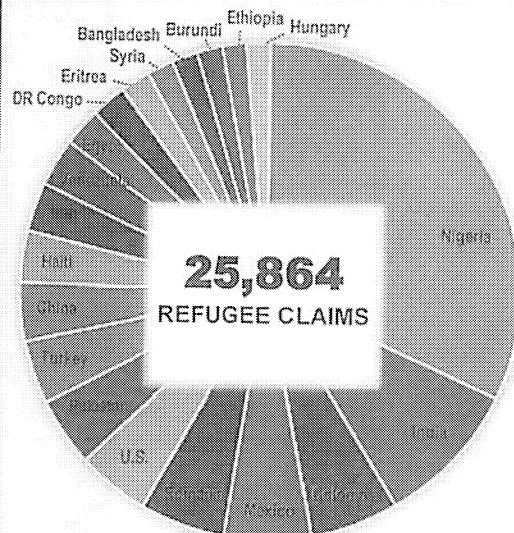
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MID-YEAR 2018 REFUGEE CLAIMS ANALYSIS REPORT

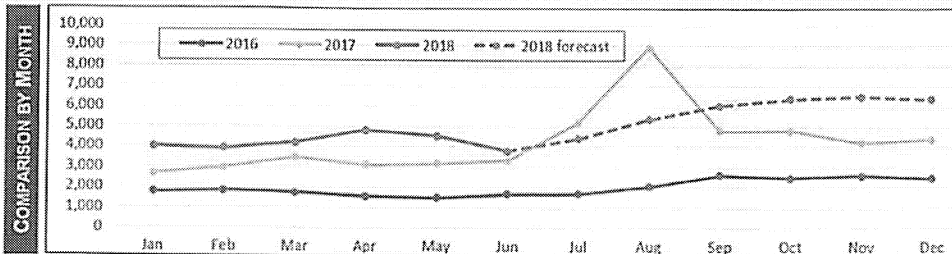
Mid-year 2018 saw a **39%** increase in refugee claims over mid-year 2017 with a significant number of persons entering Canada **between the ports (BTP)**.

Top 20 Source Countries for Refugee Claims



Mode Breakdown
 (Top Source Country & Number of Claims)

13,075 or 50% (Nigeria, 2,264)	9,574 or 37% (Nigeria, 3,843)
3,205 or 12% (Romania, 844)	10 or < 1% (Albania, 3)



Claims more than doubled for five of the top 20 source countries (Nigeria, India, Romania, Iran, and Egypt). Claims across most nationalities grew in the first half of 2018.

KEY MOVEMENTS & FACTORS

<p>U.S.</p> <p>♦ The top x-factor influencing migration to Canada is increased enforcement on migration in the United States (U.S.). In 2018, key U.S. policy changes include termination of Temporary Protected Status (TPS) designations, family separation at Southern border, and possible end of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA).</p>	<p>FRAUD</p> <p>♦ Organized movements are confirmed for nationals of Nigeria, China and India. Organized movements continue to obtain U.S. Non-immigrant Visas (USNIVs) and Temporary Resident Visas (TRVs) by using fraudulent supporting documents or inaccurate reasons for travel. Fraudulent or counterfeit TRVs and passports are also used.</p>
<p>BTP</p> <p>♦ The BTP movement in the Quebec region remained strong during the first half of 2018 and will continue throughout the year—42% of all claimants were intercepted entering BTP, mainly in Quebec. Meanwhile, BTP interceptions declined significantly in British Columbia (-22%) and Manitoba (-66%).</p>	<p>ROMANIA</p> <p>♦ Arrivals of Romanian nationals increased dramatically after visa requirements were lifted on December 1, 2017. Most claims were based on Roma ethnicity and filed at airports with visa-waived travel.</p>
<p>NIGERIA</p> <p>♦ Nigerian claimants account for 24% of overall claims for mid-year 2018. Most claims were entered via land border, followed by inland offices.</p>	<p>TRV</p> <p>♦ Various nationals obtain TRVs with the intention of going to Canada to file a refugee claim. Claims are mainly filed at airports or inland offices.</p>
	<p>DOWNSTREAM MIGRATION</p> <p>♦ Persons arrived in Canada after spending months or even years in secondary countries such as the U.S., Saudi Arabia or countries in Europe. Top citizenships include: Haiti, Syria, Somalia</p>

TOP BASIS OF CLAIM

Turkey, Syria, India, DR Congo, Ethiopia, Iran, Venezuela, Haiti, Bangladesh, Egypt, Eritrea, Burundi	Egypt, Iraq, Syria, China, Pakistan, Iran, Nigeria, Eritrea, India, Bangladesh
Hungary, Romania, Turkey, China, Ethiopia	Mexico, Colombia, Haiti

SERIOUS INADMISSIBILITIES

- Security Grounds—Colombia
- Criminality—Colombia, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Romania, U.S.
- Organized Criminality—Peru



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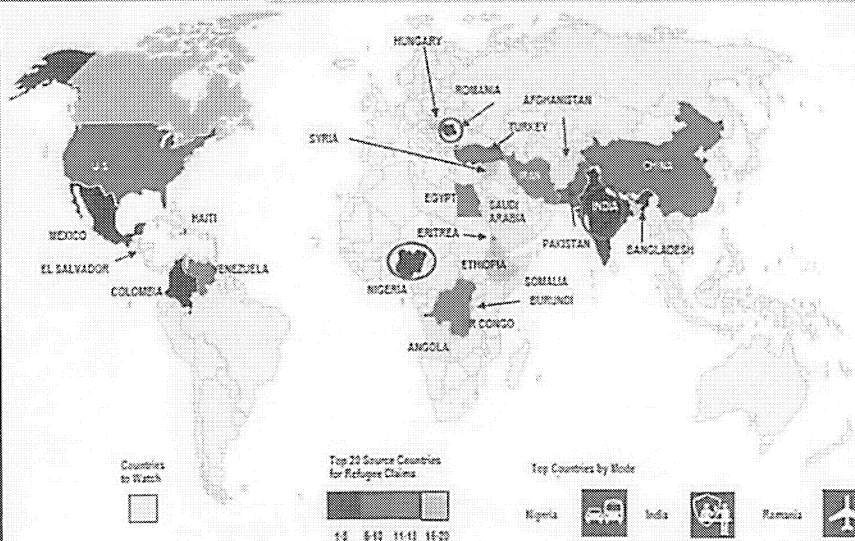
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Refugee claims are on track to reach the forecasted **61,000** in 2018. It is expected that the top source countries will include Nigeria, India, Colombia, Mexico and Romania.

The **BTP** movement, mainly in the QUE region, will continue in the latter half of 2018. Claims from Nigeria will likely increase again in the fall following a summer lull.

ANTICIPATED	Means of entry	Top Source Countries
ATLANTIC		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nigeria; Iraq; Syria.
QUEBEC		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nigeria; India; Mexico.
GTA		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nigeria; Romania; China.
NOR		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Burundi; DR Congo; Egypt.
SOR		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Colombia; Turkey; Pakistan.
PRAIRIE		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Somalia; Venezuela; Pakistan.
PACIFIC		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Afghanistan; Iran; Mexico.



The U.S. stance towards migration will continue to be a key factor influencing refugee claim numbers. Upcoming midterm elections in November 2018 can be expected to impact the movement of claimants into Canada in 2019. Congressional gains by the Democratic party in particular could reduce irregular border crossings due to potential changes in DACA legislation and TPS designations. If the U.S. maintains its current political course, it is anticipated that both legal and irregular migration to the country will continue to be increasingly restrictive, causing migrants to make their final destination to Canada in 2019 and 2020.

NIGERIA

With over 300% increase in refugee claims from mid-year 2017, it is expected that claims filed by nationals of Nigeria will continue to grow in 2018. It is highly likely that claims will reach 10,000 given current conditions along with the upcoming presidential election.

INDIA

Claims from Indian nationals increased by 246% from mid-year 2017 and are projected to continue to rise to 3,700 in 2018. Indian nationals will continue to file the majority of their claims inland after arriving on TRVs. High rates of TRV fraud and travel document fraud will persist.

AMERICAS

The Americas will continue to be a significant source region for claims in the latter half 2018. The top source countries are expected to be:

Notably, a number of nationals will file claims at the land border mainly in SOR.

EUROPE

Rising popularity of far right, anti-migrant sentiment in countries such as Italy is likely to increase downstream migration, mainly from

ASIA

Political and religious-based persecution by governments will push minorities out of India, Pakistan, Bangladesh and China.

AFRICA

Top source countries are expected to be: Nigeria, Somalia, DR Congo, and Angola. While claims from Ethiopia continue to grow, the effects of improved bilateral relations with Eritrea can be expected to reduce claims entered on the basis of conflict and forced military conscription.


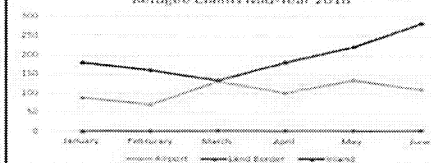
MIDDLE EAST

War, sectarianism, political persecution, and extremist activity in the Middle East will continue to prompt outward migration. Top source countries by the end of 2018 are expected to include:

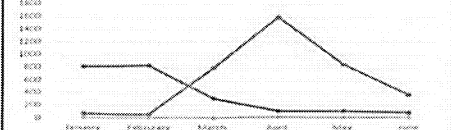
Sanctization also remains a key factor and will continue to contribute to secondary movements.

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2. INDIA • Visa Required: Yes • Designated Country of Origin: No				MIGRATION STATS • 310,796 visas issued; • 560 overseas interceptions; • 18 BTP interceptions; • 100 inadmissibility reports issued; • 175 removals.			TOP DIASPORAS IN CANADA • Toronto; • Vancouver; • Calgary.																																
MID-YEAR 2018			TOP PORTS OF ENTRY & OFFICES			Refugee Arrivals by Mode			Mid-Year 2017	2017	2016																												
1,805 claims ATL: 5 GENDER QUE: 1,363 Female: 717 Male: 1,088 Airport: 641 GTA: 332 NOR: 4 Border: 16 SOR: 10 MARINE: 3 PRA: 10 Inland: 1,145 PAC: 79 MINORS: 309 TOP MONTH June (402)			AIRPORT •PET (452) •PIA (186) BORDER •Lacolle (11) INLAND •Montréal Immigration (898) •Etobicoke (139) •Vancouver Admissions (67)			 <table border="1"><caption>Refugee Claims Mid-Year 2018 (Estimated)</caption><thead><tr><th>Month</th><th>Inland</th><th>Land Border</th><th>Inland Airport</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>January</td><td>150</td><td>100</td><td>50</td></tr><tr><td>February</td><td>140</td><td>110</td><td>50</td></tr><tr><td>March</td><td>160</td><td>120</td><td>60</td></tr><tr><td>April</td><td>180</td><td>110</td><td>50</td></tr><tr><td>May</td><td>200</td><td>120</td><td>60</td></tr><tr><td>June</td><td>250</td><td>110</td><td>50</td></tr></tbody></table>			Month	Inland	Land Border	Inland Airport	January	150	100	50	February	140	110	50	March	160	120	60	April	180	110	50	May	200	120	60	June	250	110	50	522 claims Rank: 12 Airport: 110 Border: 17 Marine: 0 Inland: 395 MINORS: 62	1,491 claims Rank: 7 Airport: 385 Border: 33 Marine: 0 Inland: 1,073 MINORS: 233	557 claims Rank: 15 Airport: 167 Border: 2 Marine: 0 Inland: 388 MINORS: 55
Month	Inland	Land Border	Inland Airport																																				
January	150	100	50																																				
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March	160	120	60																																				
April	180	110	50																																				
May	200	120	60																																				
June	250	110	50																																				
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1. NIGERIA			MIGRATION STATS			DIASPORA IN CANADA								
• Visa Required: Yes			• 22,132 visas issued;			• 59 inadmissibility reports issued;								
• Designated Country of Origin: No			• 32 overseas interceptions;			• Calgary;								
			• 5,556 BTP interceptions;			• Winnipeg.								
MID-YEAR 2018			TOP PORTS OF ENTRY & OFFICES			Refugee Arrivals by Mode			Mid-Year 2017		2017		2016	
6,166 claims			AIRPORT			Refugee Claims Mid-Year 2018			1,487 claims		5,746 claims		1,493 claims	
ATL: 8			•PIA (53)						Rank: 1		Rank: 2		Rank: 1	
QUE: 5,548			INLAND						Airport: 59		Airport: 145		Airport: 149	
Female: 3,293			•Montréal Immigration (992)						Border: 298		Border: 658		Border: 178	
Male: 2,872			•Montréal Ent-File Mgmt (637)						Marine: 0		Marine: 0		Marine: 0	
Unknown: 1			•Etobicoke (355)						Inland: 1,1130		Inland: 4,943		Inland: 1,166	
GTA: 425			BORDER						MINORS: 609		MINORS: 2,507		MINORS: 543	
NOR: 17			•Lacolle (3,782)											
SOR: 68			•Fort Erie (32)											
PRA: 68														
PAC: 36														
MINORS: 2,707														
TOP MONTH														
April (1,739)														
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3. COLOMBIA

- Visa Required: Yes
- Designated Country of Origin: No



MIGRATION STATS

- 21,061 visas issued;
- 0 overseas interceptions;
- 431 BTP interceptions;
- 60 inadmissibility reports issued;
- 90 removals.

TOP DIASPORAS IN CANADA

- Toronto;
- Montréal;
- Calgary.

MID-YEAR 2018			TOP PORTS OF ENTRY & OFFICES		Refugee Arrivals by Mode		Mid-Year 2017	2017	2016
1,095 claims	ATL: 0	GENDER	AIRPORT	INLAND			632 claims Rank: 6	1,404 claims Rank: 9	848 claims Rank: 8
Airport: 58	QUE: 554	Female: 562	•PET (29)	•Montréal Immigration (105)			Airport: 22	Airport: 73	Airport: 34
Border: 662	GTA: 103	Male: 533	•PIA (25)	•Etobicoke (69)			Border: 437	Border: 789	Border: 632
Marine: 0	NOR: 11	MINORS: 356	BORDER	•London (40)			Marine: 0	Marine: 0	Marine: 0
Inland: 375	SOR: 349	TOP MONTH	•Lacolle (356)				Inland: 173	Inland: 542	Inland: 182
	PRA: 30	June (236)	•Fort Erie (157)				MINORS: 188	MINORS: 413	MINORS: 246
	PAC: 48		•Rainbow Bridge (38)						

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4. MEXICO

- Visa Required: No (as of December 1, 2016)
- Designated Country of Origin: Yes

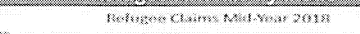


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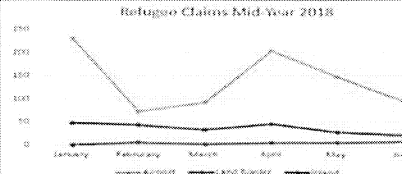
- 38,652 visas issued;
- 201 inadmissibility reports issued;
- 403 overseas interceptions;
- 651 removals;
- 10 BTP interceptions;

TOP DIASPORAS IN CANADA

- Montréal;
- Toronto;
- Vancouver.

MID-YEAR 2018			TOP PORTS OF ENTRY & OFFICES		Refugee Arrivals by Mode	Mid-Year 2017	2017	2016
1,092 claims	ATL: 2	GENDER	AIRPORT	INLAND		587 claims	1,518 claims	263 claims
Rank: 7	Rank: 6	Rank: 31						
Airport: 265	Airport: 726	Airport: 121						
Border: 44	Border: 68	Border: 23						
Marine: 0	Marine: 0	Marine: 0						
Inland: 278	Inland: 724	Inland: 119						
MINORS: 143	MINORS: 415	MINORS: 84						

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5. ROMANIA • Visa Required: Yes (Temporary and non-electronic passports) • Designated Country of Origin: Yes				MIGRATION STATS • 1,721 visas issued; • 1236 overseas interceptions; • 12 BTP interceptions; • 312 inadmissibility reports issued; • 142 removals.		TOP DIASPORAS IN CANADA • Montréal; • Toronto • Vancouver.			
MID-YEAR 2018			TOP PORTS OF ENTRY & OFFICES		Refugee Arrivals by Mode		Mid-Year 2017	2017	2016
1,073 claims GENDER ATL: 0 Female: 470 QUE: 204 Male: 602 GTA: 840 Unknown: 1 NOR: 5 SOR: 19 MINORS: 349 PRA: 0 PAC: 6 TOP MONTH January (280)			AIRPORT •PIA (713) •PET (132) INLAND •Etobicoke (123) •Montréal Immigration (63) BORDER •Rainbow Bridge (11)				16 claims Rank: 86 Airport: 1 Border: 11 Marine: 0 Inland: 4 MINORS: 5	183 claims Rank: 49 Airport: 139 Border: 29 Marine: 0 Inland: 15 MINORS: 75	854 claims Rank: 8 Airport: 36 Border: 635 Marine: 0 Inland: 183 MINORS: 251
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6. UNITED STATES (U.S.)

- Visa Required: No
- Designated Country of Origin: Yes



MIGRATION STATS

- 36,877 visas issued;
- 8 overseas interceptions;
- 543 BTP interceptions;
- 8,389 inadmissibility reports issued;
- 292 removals.

TOP DIASPORAS IN CANADA

- Toronto;
- Vancouver;
- Montréal.

MID-YEAR 2018			TOP PORTS OF ENTRY & OFFICES		Refugee Arrivals by Mode	Mid-Year 2017	2017	2016
911 claims	ATL: 2	GENDER	AIRPORT	INLAND		720 claims	2,569 claims	376 claims
Airport: 12	QUE: 642	Female: 434	•PIA (7)	•Montréal Immigration (110)		Rank: 5	Rank: 3	Rank: 20
Border: 567	GTA: 72	Male: 477	•PET (4)	•Montréal Enf-File Mgmt (61)		Airport: 22	Airport: 61	Airport: 31
Marine: 0	NOR: 15	MINORS: 864	BORDER	•Irregular Migration Montréal (22)		Border: 424	Border: 791	Border: 203
Inland: 331	SOR: 100	TOP MONTH	•Lacolle (438)			Marine: 0	Marine: 1	Marine: 0
	PRA: 34	April (191)	•Fort Erie (49)			Inland: 274	Inland: 1,716	Inland: 142
	PAC: 45		•Rainbow Bridge (19)			MINORS: 658	MINORS: 2,427	MINORS: 308

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7. PAKISTAN

- Visa Required: Yes
- Designated Country of Origin: No



MIGRATION STATS

- 15,196 visas issued;
- 28 overseas interceptions;
- 268 BTP interceptions;
- 20 inadmissibility reports issued;
- 50 removals.

TOP DIASPORAS IN CANADA

- Toronto;
- Calgary;
- Montréal.

MID-YEAR 2018			TOP PORTS OF ENTRY & OFFICES		Refugee Arrivals by Mode		Mid-Year 2017	2017	2016
868 claims	ATL: 1	GENDER	AIRPORT	INLAND			843 claims	1,747 claims	1,137 claims
Airport: 21	QUE: 303	Female: 344	•PIA (18)	•Etobicoke (318)			Rank: 4	Rank: 5	Rank: 4
Border: 333	GTA: 345	Male: 524	BORDER	•Montréal Immigration (77)			Airport: 29	Airport: 84	Airport: 54
Marine: 0	NOR: 1	MINORS: 227	•Lacolle (199)	•Calgary IRCC (40)			Border: 243	Border: 524	Border: 405
Inland: 514	SOR: 130	TOP MONTH	•Fort Erie (94)				Marine: 0	Marine: 0	Marine: 0
	PRA: 54	June (198)	•Ambassador Bridge (12)				Inland: 571	Inland: 1,139	Inland: 678
	PAC: 33						MINORS: 184	MINORS: 437	MINORS: 337

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8. TURKEY

- Visa Required: Yes
- Designated Country of Origin: No



MIGRATION STATS

- 12,284 visas issued;
- 21 overseas interceptions;
- 310 BTP interceptions;
- 3 inadmissibility reports issued;
- 37 removals.

TOP DIASPORAS IN CANADA

- Toronto;
- Montréal;
- Vancouver.

MID-YEAR 2018			TOP PORTS OF ENTRY & OFFICES		Refugee Arrivals by Mode	Mid-Year 2017	2017	2016
806 claims	ATL: 1	GENDER	AIRPORT	INLAND		1,056 claims	2,194 claims	1,101 claims
Airport: 66	QUE: 333	Female: 278	•PIA (57)	•Etobicoke (192)		Rank: 3	Rank: 4	Rank: 6
Border: 250	GTA: 252	Male: 528	•PET (7)	•Montréal Immigration (92)		Airport: 98	Airport: 159	Airport: 70
Marine: 0	NOR: 9	MINORS: 158	BORDER	•Hamilton (63)		Border: 255	Border: 379	Border: 160
Inland: 490	SOR: 143	TOP MONTH	•Lacolle (181)			Marine: 0	Marine: 0	Marine: 1
	PRA: 13	June (167)	•Fort Erie (41)			Inland: 703	Inland: 1,656	Inland: 870
	PAC: 55		•Douglas (18)			MINORS: 269	MINORS: 580	MINORS: 275

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9. CHINA, PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF (CHINA)

- Visa Required: Yes
- Designated Country of Origin: No



MIGRATION STATS

- 68,212 visas issued;
- 29 overseas interceptions;
- 8 BTP interceptions;
- 65 inadmissibility reports issued;
- 181 removals.

TOP DIASPORAS IN CANADA

- Toronto;
- Vancouver;
- Montréal.

MID-YEAR 2018			TOP PORTS OF ENTRY & OFFICES		Refugee Arrivals by Mode	Mid-Year 2017	2017	2016
742 claims	ATL: 0	GENDER	AIRPORT	INLAND	<p>Refugee Claims Mid-Year 2018</p>	555 claims	1,078 claims	1,179 claims
Airport: 51	QUE: 17	Female: 312	•PIA (43)	•Etobicoke (611)		Rank: 9	Rank: 12	Rank: 3
Border: 4	GTA: 666	Male: 430	•Vancouver IAP (6)	•Hamilton (19)		Airport: 52	Airport: 116	Airport: 113
Marine: 0	NOR: 4	MINORS: 54	BORDER	•Vancouver Adm (13)		Border: 7	Border: 15	Border: 7
Inland: 690	SOR: 25	TOP MONTH	•Lacolle (4)			Marine: 0	Marine: 0	Marine: 0
	PRA: 3	June (206)				Inland: 496	Inland: 947	Inland: 1,059
	PAC: 26					MINORS: 77	MINORS: 151	MINORS: 143

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10. HAITI

- Visa Required: Yes
- Designated Country of Origin: No



MIGRATION STATS

- 5,835 visas issued;
- 0 overseas interceptions;
- 376 BTP interceptions;
- 77 inadmissibility reports issued;
- 110 removals.

TOP DIASPORAS IN CANADA

- Montréal;
- Ottawa/Gatineau;
- Toronto.

MID-YEAR 2018

656 claims
 ATL: 0
 QUE: 595
 Airport: 9
 Border: 314
 Marine: 0
 Inland: 332

GENDER
 Female: 318
 Male: 340

MINORS: 66

TOP MONTH
 April (131)

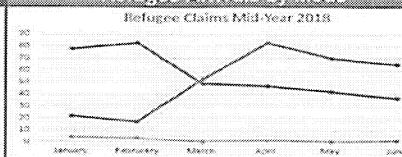
TOP PORTS OF ENTRY & OFFICES

AIRPORT
 • PET (9)

INLAND
 • Montréal Immigration (239)
 • Montréal Enf-File Mgmt (49)
 • Ottawa (21)

BORDER
 • Lacolle (275)
 • Fort Erie (22)
 • Saint-Armand (14)

Refugee Arrivals by Mode



Mid-Year 2017

1,133 claims
 Rank: 2
 Airport: 15
 Border: 741
 Marine: 0
 Inland: 377
 MINORS: 156

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
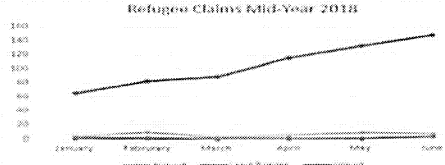
7,943 claims
 Rank: 1
 Airport: 57
 Border: 1,301
 Marine: 0
 Inland: 6,585
 MINORS: 893


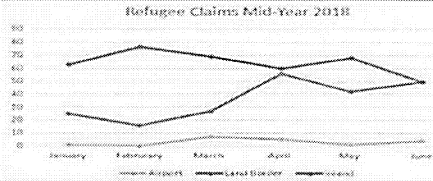
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
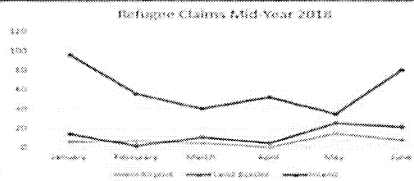
616 claims
 Rank: 13
 Airport: 27
 Border: 233
 Marine: 0
 Inland: 356
 MINORS: 105

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11. IRAN • Visa Required: Yes • Designated Country of Origin: No					MIGRATION STATS • 35,749 visas issued; • 31 overseas interceptions; • 1 BTP interception; • 19 inadmissibility reports issued; • 24 removals.		TOP DIASPORAS IN CANADA • Toronto; • Vancouver; • Montréal.			
MID-YEAR 2018			TOP PORTS OF ENTRY & OFFICES			Refugee Arrivals by Mode		Mid-Year 2017	2017	2016
599 claims ATL: 3 QUE: 26 GTA: 415 NOR: 6 SOR: 7 PRA: 5 PAC: 137 GENDER Female: 298 Male: 301 MINORS: 119 TOP MONTH June (158)			AIRPORT • PIA (27) BORDER • Fort Erie (4) INLAND • Etobicoke (387) • Vancouver Admissions (133) • Montréal Immigration (23)					253 claims Rank: 23 Airport: 34 Border: 17 Marine: 0 Inland: 202 MINORS: 44	684 claims Rank: 20 Airport: 58 Border: 25 Marine: 0 Inland: 601 MINORS: 137	286 claims Rank: 25 Airport: 40 Border: 17 Marine: 0 Inland: 229 MINORS: 46
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12.VENEZUELA					MIGRATION STATS		TOP DIASPORAS IN CANADA									
• Visa Required: Yes • Designated Country of Origin: No					• 5,130 visas issued; • 0 overseas interceptions; • 102 BTP interceptions;		• 4 inadmissibility reports issued; • 14 removals.		• Toronto; • Montréal; • Calgary.							
MID-YEAR 2018			TOP PORTS OF ENTRY & OFFICES			Refugee Arrivals by Mode		Mid-Year 2017		2017		2016				
608 claims ATL: 2 QUE: 225 GTA: 150 NOR: 13 SOR: 87 PRA: 87 PAC: 44			GENDER Female: 326 Male: 282 MINORS: 134 TOP MONTH April (121)			AIRPORT •PIA (11) •PET (7) INLAND •Etobicoke (134) •Montréal Immigration (96) •Calgary IRCC (52) BORDER •Lacolle (101) •Fort Erie (36) •Coutts (23)					453 claims Rank: 15 Airport: 25 Border: 129 Marine: 0 Inland: 299 MINORS: 110		1,249 claims Rank: 10 Airport: 70 Border: 367 Marine: 0 Inland: 812 MINORS: 356		565 claims Rank: 14 Airport: 57 Border: 162 Marine: 0 Inland: 346 MINORS: 177	
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13. EGYPT • Visa Required: Yes • Designated Country of Origin: No					MIGRATION STATS • 7,849 visas issued; • 10 overseas interceptions; • 88 BTP interceptions; • 8 inadmissibility reports issued; • 20 removals.		TOP DIASPORAS IN CANADA • Toronto; • Montréal; • Ottawa-Gatineau.			
MID-YEAR 2018			TOP PORTS OF ENTRY & OFFICES			Refugee Arrivals by Mode		Mid-Year 2017	2017	2016
468 claims ATL: 0 QUE: 177 GTA: 169 NOR: 27 SOR: 51 PRA: 31 PAC: 15 GENDER Female: 219 Male: 249 MINORS: 133 TOP MONTH January (116)			AIRPORT • PET (18) • PIA (20) BORDER • Lacolle (45) • Fort Erie (15) INLAND • Etobicoke (143) • Montréal Immigration (104) • Ottawa (26)					230 claims Rank: 26 Airport: 16 Border: 35 Marine: 0 Inland: 178 MINORS: 51	818 claims Rank: 17 Airport: 72 Border: 111 Marine: 0 Inland: 635 MINORS: 258	329 claims Rank: 24 Airport: 22 Border: 60 Marine: 0 Inland: 247 MINORS: 92
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14. DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO

- Visa Required: Yes
- Designated Country of Origin: No



MIGRATION STATS

- 2,455 visas issued;
- 43 inadmissibility reports issued;
- 17 removals;
- 18 overseas interceptions;
- 278 BTP interceptions

TOP DIASPORAS IN CANADA

- Montréal;
- Ottawa/Gatineau;
- Toronto.

MID-YEAR 2018			TOP PORTS OF ENTRY & OFFICES		Refugee Arrivals by Mode	Mid-Year 2017	2017	2016
450 claims	ATL: 0	GENDER	AIRPORT	INLAND	<p>Refugee Claims Mid-Year 2018</p>	256 claims	626 claims	411 claims
Airport: 19	QUE: 336	Female: 236	•PIA T1 (12)	•Montréal Immigration (107)		Rank: 22	Rank: 25	Rank: 16
Border: 215	GTA: 32	Male: 213	•PET (7)	•Ottawa (27)		Airport: 10	Airport: 25	Airport: 23
Marine: 0	NOR: 28	MINORS: 88		•Montréal Enf-File Mgmt (24)		Border: 95	Border: 174	Border: 165
Inland: 216	SOR: 32		BORDER			Marine: 0	Marine: 0	Marine: 0
	PRA: 18	TOP MONTH	•Lacolle (183)			Inland: 151	Inland: 427	Inland: 223
	PAC: 5	April (64)	•Fort Erie (10)			MINORS: 54	MINORS: 143	MINORS: 80
			•Saint-Armand (5)					

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15. ERITREA

- Visa Required: Yes
- Designated Country of Origin: No



MIGRATION STATS

- 922 visas issued;
- 10 overseas interceptions;
- 224 BTP interceptions;
- 13 inadmissibility reports issued;
- 3 removals.

TOP DIASPORAS IN CANADA

- Toronto;
- Calgary;
- Edmonton.

MID-YEAR 2018			TOP PORTS OF ENTRY & OFFICES		Refugee Arrivals by Mode		Mid-Year 2017	2017	2016																												
368 claims	ATL: 0	GENDER	AIRPORT	INLAND	<table border="1"><caption>Refugee Claims Mid-Year 2018 (Estimated)</caption><thead><tr><th>Month</th><th>Airport</th><th>Land Border</th><th>Inland</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>January</td><td>45</td><td>25</td><td>2</td></tr><tr><td>February</td><td>15</td><td>10</td><td>2</td></tr><tr><td>March</td><td>35</td><td>20</td><td>2</td></tr><tr><td>April</td><td>55</td><td>20</td><td>2</td></tr><tr><td>May</td><td>30</td><td>20</td><td>2</td></tr><tr><td>June</td><td>45</td><td>25</td><td>2</td></tr></tbody></table>		Month	Airport	Land Border	Inland	January	45	25	2	February	15	10	2	March	35	20	2	April	55	20	2	May	30	20	2	June	45	25	2	563 claims	1,210 claims	782 claims
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March	35	20	2																																		
April	55	20	2																																		
May	30	20	2																																		
June	45	25	2																																		
Airport: 6	QUE: 172	Female: 136	•PIA (5)	•Etobicoke (283)	Rank: 8	Rank: 11	Rank: 9																														
Border: 206	GTA: 89	Male: 232	BORDER	•Montréal Enf-File Mgmt (28)			Airport: 4	Airport: 26	Airport: 8																												
Marine: 0	NOR: 5	MINORS: 60	•Lacolle (126)	•Montréal Immigration (17)			Border: 305	Border: 531	Border: 492																												
Inland: 157	SOR: 32	TOP MONTH	•Emerson (58)				Marine: 0	Marine: 0	Marine: 0																												
	PRA: 72	January (81)	•Fort Erie (26)				Inland: 254	Inland: 653	Inland: 282																												
	PAC: 3						MINORS: 130	MINORS: 285	MINORS: 189																												

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16.SYRIA

- Visa Required: Yes
- Designated Country of Origin: No



MIGRATION STATS

- 1,212 visas issued;
- 15 overseas interceptions;
- 154 BTP interceptions;
- 4 inadmissibility reports issued;
- 37 removals.


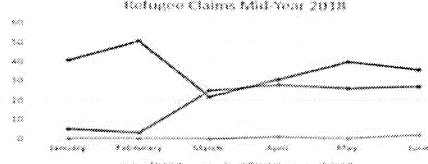
TOP DIASPORAS IN CANADA

- Montréal
- Toronto;
- Gatineau.

MID-YEAR 2018			TOP PORTS OF ENTRY & OFFICES		Refugee Arrivals by Mode		Mid-Year 2017	2017	2016
332 claims	ATL: 3	GENDER	AIRPORT	INLAND			553 claims	1,446 claims	958 claims
Airport: 11	QUE: 182	Female: 144	•PIA T1 (10)	•Montréal Immigration (41)			Rank: 10	Rank: 8	Rank: 7
Border: 150	GTA: 51	Male: 188	BORDER	•Etobicoke (41)			Airport: 10	Airport: 20	Airport: 47
Marine: 0	NOR: 10	MINORS: 89	•Lacolle (94)	•Montréal Enf-File Mgmt (38)			Border: 291	Border: 553	Border: 505
Inland: 171	SOR: 59		•Fort Erie (20)				Marine: 0	Marine: 0	Marine: 0
	PRA: 11	TOP MONTH	•Ambassador Bridge (14)				Inland: 252	Inland: 873	Inland: 406
	PAC: 16	May (76)					MINORS: 169	MINORS: 524	MINORS: 303

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17. BANGLADESH • Visa Required: Yes • Designated Country of Origin: No					MIGRATION STATS • 8,745 visas issued; • 54 overseas interceptions; • 113 BTP interceptions; • 38 inadmissibility reports issued; • 42 removals.		TOP DIASPORAS IN CANADA • Toronto; • Montréal; • Calgary.		
MID-YEAR 2018			TOP PORTS OF ENTRY & OFFICES		Refugee Arrivals by Mode		Mid-Year 2017	2017	2016
325 claims ATL: 3 Airport: 3 Border: 117 Marine: 0 Inland: 204 GENDER QUE: 159 GTA: 132 NOR: 0 SOR: 26 PRA: 4 PAC: 1 Female: 122 Male: 203 MINORS: 75 TOP MONTH May (66)			AIRPORT •PIA (3) BORDER •Lacolle (92) •Fort Erie (25) INLAND •Etobicoke (123) •Montréal Immigration (55)				220 claims Rank: 27 Airport: 11 Border: 60 Marine: 0 Inland: 149 MINORS: 67	491 claims Rank: 27 Airport: 29 Border: 117 Marine: 0 Inland: 344 MINORS: 132	696 claims Rank: 10 Airport: 5 Border: 466 Marine: 0 Inland: 225 MINORS: 222
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18. BURUNDI

- Visa Required: Yes
- Designated Country of Origin: No



MIGRATION STATS

- 896 visas issued;
- 0 overseas interceptions;
- 128 BTP interceptions;
- 19 inadmissibility reports issued;
- 6 removals.

TOP DIASPORAS IN CANADA

- Gatineau
- Montréal;
- Ottawa.

MID-YEAR 2018			TOP PORTS OF ENTRY & OFFICES		Refugee Arrivals by Mode	Mid-Year 2017	2017	2016
324 claims	ATL: 0	GENDER	AIRPORT	INLAND		490 claims	1,040 claims	694 claims
Airport: 4	QUE: 167	Female: 171	•PIA (2)	•Ottawa (75)		Rank: 13	Rank: 13	Rank: 10
Border: 167	GTA: 7	Male: 153	BORDER	•Montréal Immigration (50)		Airport: 1	Airport: 10	Airport: 5
Marine: 0	NOR: 124	MINORS: 80	•Lacolle (99)	•Montréal Enf-File Mgmt (12)		Border: 379	Border: 564	Border: 483
Inland: 153	SOR: 12		•Cornwall (45)			Marine: 0	Marine: 0	Marine: 0
	PRA: 4	TOP MONTH	•Rainbow Bridge (5)			Inland: 110	Inland: 466	Inland: 226
	PAC: 10	January (74)				MINORS: 168	MINORS: 340	MINORS: 221

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<div>19.ETHIOPIA</div> <div><div>• Visa Required: Yes</div><div>• Designated Country of Origin: No</div></div>			<div><div></div></div> <div>MIGRATION STATS</div> <div><div><div>• 2,467 visas issued;</div><div>• 17 overseas interceptions;</div><div>• 59 BTP interceptions;</div></div><div><div>• 26 inadmissibility reports issued;</div><div>• 9 removals.</div></div></div>			<div>TOP DIASPORAS IN CANADA</div> <div><div>• Toronto;</div><div>• Calgary;</div><div>• Edmonton.</div></div>											
<div>MID-YEAR 2018</div> <div><div>316 claims</div><div>ATL: 1</div><div>QUE: 50</div><div>GTA: 198</div><div>NOR: 5</div><div>SOR: 23</div><div>PRA: 35</div><div>PAC: 5</div><div>GENDER</div><div>Female: 145</div><div>Male: 171</div><div>MINORS: 33</div><div>TOP MONTH</div><div>June (76)</div></div>			<div>TOP PORTS OF ENTRY & OFFICES</div> <div><div>AIRPORT</div><div>•PIA T1 (27)</div><div>INLAND</div><div>•Etobicoke (169)</div><div>•Calgary (13)</div><div>•Montréal Ent-File Mgmt (11)</div><div>BORDER</div><div>•Lacolle (29)</div><div>•Emerson (9)</div><div>•Fort Erie (8)</div></div>			<div>Refugee Arrivals by Mode</div> <div><div>Refugee Claims Mid-Year 2018</div><div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div></div>			<div>Mid-Year 2017</div> <div><div>280 claims</div><div>Rank: 21</div><div>Airport: 13</div><div>Border: 59</div><div>Marine: 0</div><div>Inland: 208</div><div>MINORS: 55</div></div>			<div>2017</div> <div><div>634 claims</div><div>Rank: 25</div><div>Airport: 33</div><div>Border: 122</div><div>Marine: 0</div><div>Inland: 479</div><div>MINORS: 140</div></div>			<div>2016</div> <div><div>383 claims</div><div>Rank: 19</div><div>Airport: 13</div><div>Border: 43</div><div>Marine: 0</div><div>Inland: 2327</div><div>MINORS: 67</div></div>		
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20. HUNGARY

- Visa Required: No
- Designated Country of Origin: Yes



MIGRATION STATS

- 1,473 visas issued;
- 161 overseas interceptions;
- 0 BTP interceptions;
- 23 inadmissibility reports issued;
- 107 removals.

TOP DIASPORAS IN CANADA

- Toronto;
- Vancouver;
- Montréal.

MID-YEAR 2018			TOP PORTS OF ENTRY & OFFICES		Refugee Arrivals by Mode		Mid-Year 2017	2017	2016
291 claims	ATL: 0	GENDER	AIRPORT	INLAND			235 claims	644 claims	1,204 claims
Airport: 175	QUE: 8	Female: 146	•PIA (170)	•Etobicoke (72)			Rank: 25	Rank: 23	Rank: 2
Border: 36	GTA: 244	Male: 145	BORDER				Airport: 104	Airport: 394	Airport: 984
Marine: 0	NOR: 1	MINORS: 98	•Fort Erie (27)				Border: 50	Border: 96	Border: 8
Inland: 82	SOR: 35		•Rainbow Bridge (6)				Marine: 0	Marine: 0	Marine: 0
	PRA: 5	TOP MONTH					Inland: 81	Inland: 154	Inland: 220
	PAC: 0	January (78)					MINORS: 57	MINORS: 195	MINORS: 422

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COUNTRIES TO WATCH	SOMALIA • Visa Required: Yes • Designated Country of Origin: No		SAUDI ARABIA • Visa Required: Yes • Designated Country of Origin: No		EL SALVADOR • Visa Required: Yes • Designated Country of Origin: No		AFGHANISTAN • Visa Required: Yes • Designated Country of Origin: No		ANGOLA • Visa Required: Yes • Designated Country of Origin: No	
	MIGRATION STATS		MIGRATION STATS		MIGRATION STATS		MIGRATION STATS		MIGRATION STATS	
	• 924 visas issued; • 17 overseas interceptions; • 105 BTP interceptions; • 38 inadmissibility reports issued; • 17 removals.		• 14,402 visas issued; • 1 overseas interceptions; • 15 BTP interceptions; • 12 inadmissibility reports issued; • 12 removals.		• 2,305 visas issued; • 0 overseas interceptions; • 66 BTP interceptions; • 32 inadmissibility reports issued; • 33 removals.		• 844 visas issued; • 19 overseas interceptions; • 99 BTP interceptions; • 24 inadmissibility reports issued; • 10 removals.		• 318 visas issued; • 2 overseas interceptions; • 223 BTP interceptions; • 2 inadmissibility reports issued; • 10 removals.	
	Mid-year 2018	2017	Mid-year 2018	2017	Mid-year 2018	2017	Mid-year 2018	2017	Mid-year 2018	2017
	288 claims Rank: 21	889 claims Rank: 16	73 claims Rank: 55	171 claims Rank: 52	264 claims Rank: 24	757 claims Rank: 18	263 claims Rank: 25	669 claims Rank: 21	253 claims Rank: 25	265 claims Rank: 37
	Airport: 23 Border: 112 Marine: 0 Inland: 153	2016	Airport: 19 Border: 11 Marine: 0 Inland: 43	2016	Airport: 17 Border: 160 Marine: 0 Inland: 87	2016	Airport: 9 Border: 41 Marine: 0 Inland: 213	2016	Airport: 2 Border: 191 Marine: 0 Inland: 60	2016
	663 claims Rank: 11		128 claims Rank: 44		260 claims Rank: 31		645 claims Rank: 12		53 claims Rank: 61	
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APPENDIX (OTHER COUNTRIES – RANK, CLAIMS & PERCENT CHANGE FROM MID-YEAR 2017)

21. Somali Republic (266) (-46%)
 22. Iraq (267) (-40%)
 23. Palestinian Authority (265) (7%)
 24. El Salvador (264) (-36%)
 25. Afghanistan (263) (-13%)
 26. Angola (253) (85%)
 27. Sudan (246) (-42%)
 28. Yemen, Republic of (235) (-35%)
 29. Stateless (230) (17%)
 30. Sri Lanka (222) (15%)
 31. Jordan (160) (90%)
 32. Cameroon (151) (19%)
 33. Uganda (151) (37%)
 34. Rwanda (137) (47%)
 35. Algeria (136) (84%)
 36. Kenya (122) (91%)
 37. South Africa (119) (325%)*
 38. Libya (114) (-27%)
 39. Lebanon (112) (18%)
 40. Honduras (102) (-47%)
 41. Mauritania (96) (300%)*
 42. Guinea (90) (70%)
 43. Jamaica (89) (-6%)
 44. Georgia (88) (38%)
 45. Russia (88) (-6%)
 46. Bahamas, Commonwealth of the (84) (8%)
 47. Slovakia (81) (-39%)
 48. Zimbabwe (80) (-2%)
 49. Ghana (79) (-26%)
 50. Ukraine (79) (-19%)
 51. Albania (77) (-10%)
 52. Nepal (77) (51%)
 53. Senegal (77) (157%)*
 54. Saudi Arabia (73) (20%)
 55. Congo, People's Republic of (61) (85%)
 56. Peru (61) (126%)*
 57. Azerbaijan (60) (-65%)
 58. Ivory Coast (55) (96%)
 59. Guatemala (54) (-48%)

60. Chile (52) (37%)
 61. Brazil (47) (-30%)
 62. Unspecified (46) (N/A)
 63. Mali (43) (43%)
 64. Djibouti (40) (-91%)
 65. Gambia (35) (106%)
 66. Tunisia (35) (133%)
 67. Barbados (34) (13%)
 68. Burkina Faso (34) (127%)
 69. Czechia (31) (-75%)
 70. Italy (31) (55%)
 71. Tanzania (31) (7%)
 72. Bulgaria (30) (2900%)
 73. Cuba (29) (-50%)
 74. Dominican Republic (29) (7%)
 75. Poland (29) (61%)
 76. Chad (25) (-85%)
 77. Togolese Republic (24) (118%)
 78. Mongolia (22) (57%)
 79. Nicaragua (22) (29%)
 80. Spain (22) (100%)
 81. Liberia (21) (-5%)
 82. Morocco (21) (-5%)
 83. Sierra Leone (20) (33%)
 84. Cambodia (17) (113%)
 85. Benin (17) (70%)
 86. Ecuador (17) (143%)
 87. Philippines (16) (-30%)
 88. Guyana (15) (-40%)
 89. South Sudan (15) (275%)
 90. Indonesia (14) (-42%)
 91. Kazakhstan (14) (-13%)
 92. France (13) (63%)
 93. Kosovo (13) (-50%)
 94. Vietnam (13) (-48%)
 95. Myanmar (12) (140%)
 96. Niger (12) (0%)
 97. Israel (11) (-62%)
 98. Ireland (11) (10%)
 99. Sweden (11) (1000%)
 100. Costa Rica (10) (11%)
 101. Germany (10) (900%)
 102. Korea, Republic of (South) (10) (-38%)
 103. Portugal (10) (-29%)

104. St. Vince (10) (100%)*
 105. Trinidad & Tobago, Republic of (10) (43%)
 106. British Citizen (9) (13%)
 107. Gabon (9) (0%)
 108. Malawi (9) (100%)*
 109. Bahrain (8) (-43%)
 110. Central African Republic (6) (0%)
 111. Kyrgyzstan (6) (60%)
 112. Antigua (7) (-72%)
 113. Guinea-Bissau (7) (250%)
 114. Madagascar (7) (133%)
 115. Uzbekistan (7) (-70%)
 116. Zambia (7) (133%)
 117. Belgium (6) (100%)
 118. Kuwait (6) (20%)
 119. Namibia (6) (100%)*
 120. Thailand (6) (100%)*
 121. Comoros (5) (100%)*
 122. Grenada (5) (400%)
 123. Mozambique (5) (150%)
 124. Panama, Republic of (5) (25%)
 125. Serbia (5) (150%)
 126. Tajikistan (5) (-29%)
 127. Belarus (4) (0%)
 128. Belize (4) (33%)
 129. Bolivia (4) (0%)
 130. Denmark (4) (100%)
 131. Mauritius (4) (300%)
 132. Saint Lucia (4) (-78%)
 133. Botswana (3) (-25%)
 134. Greece (3) (-57%)
 135. Netherlands (3) (-50%)
 136. Papua New Guinea (3) (200%)
 137. Switzerland (3) (100%)*
 138. Turkmenistan (3) (-40%)
 139. United Arab Emirates (3) (50%)
 140. Uruguay (3) (-25%)
 141. Armenia (2) (0%)
 142. Austria (2) (0%)
 143. Croatia (2) (-78%)
 144. Dominica, Commonwealth of (2) (100%)*
 145. Fiji (2) (0%)
 146. Hong Kong SAR (2) (-33%)
 147. Japan (2) (100%)

148. Latvia (2) (0%)
 149. Malaysia (2) (100%)
 150. Moldova (2) (-33%)
 151. Andorra (1) (100%)*
 152. Argentina (1) (-86%)
 153. Australia (1) (0%)
 154. Bhutan (1) (100%)*
 155. British Dependent Territories Citizen (1) (100%)*
 156. British Overseas Citizen (1) (100%)*
 157. Cape Verde (1) (100%)*
 158. Macedonia (1) (-50%)
 159. Malta (1) (100%)*
 160. Qatar (1) (100%)*
 161. East Timor (1) (100%)*
 162. Singapore (1) (100%)*
 163. Suriname (1) (100%)*
 164. Taiwan (1) (-67%)

* Source countries with over 50 claims that at least doubled over mid-year 2017.

** Please note that countries with no refugee claimants in mid-year 2017 have automatically been assigned an increase of 100%.



Refugee Claims Analysis Report (RCAR) - Notes

The following report provides statistical information on the top 20 source countries for refugee claims in Canada for mid-year 2018 (January 1 to June 30), coupled with trend analysis, examination of push, pull and x-factors as well as forecasts for 2018-2019. It consists of statistics from the Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) and the Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) and should not be taken as belonging solely to the CBSA.

Regions

- Atlantic (ATL)
- Northern Ontario (NOR)
- Pacific (PAC)
- Québec (QUE)
- Southern Ontario (SOR)
- Greater Toronto Area (GTA)
- Prairie (PRA)

Migration Statistic Section

Visas is a general term used to refer to the total Temporary Resident Visas (TRVs), study permits, work permits, Temporary Resident Permits (TRPs), Visitor Records (VRs) and all extensions that have been issued for entry into Canada; this does not include the total number of applications received or electronic Travel Authorizations (eTAs) issued.

Inadmissibility reports issued refers to the number of inadmissibility reports issued for serious concerns under the *Immigration and Refugee Protection Act* (IRPA) which consist of sections 34 (national security), 35 (crimes against humanity), 36(1) (serious criminality), 36(2) (criminality) and 37 (organized crime).

Removals refers to the number of foreign nationals, including failed refugee claimants, removed to their country of origin or other destination countries as defined in the IRPA and its regulations.

Overseas interceptions refers to the total number of fraudulent interceptions; the liaison officer (LO) has grounds to suspect fraud and the air carrier is provided a "no board" recommendation. This does not include technical interceptions where an LO has provided a "no board" recommendation due to a technical, regulatory or otherwise non-fraudulent reason (e.g. expired passport).

Between the Port (BTP) interceptions refers to the total number of interceptions of persons who entered Canada at a place other than a port of entry (POE) at the land border.

Top 3 Diasporas in Canada

These locations are based on information from the Statistics Canada - 2016 National Household Survey.

Time Periods

- Quarter (1) - Q(1) - January, February and March;
- Quarter (2) - Q(2) - April, May and June;
- Quarter (3) - Q(3) - July, August and September;
- Quarter (4) - Q(4) - October, November and December;
- 2017 - January 1 to December 31, 2017;
- 2016 - January 1 to December 31, 2016;
- mid-year 2018 - January 1 to June 30, 2018;
- mid-year 2017 - January 1 to June 30, 2017.

Gender

- Adult Female (Female)
- Adult Male (Male)

Data Extraction

Information on refugee claims for this report was retrieved from the CIC DWS - Enterprise Data Warehouse - Refugee Cohort Datamart, for the periods of January 1 to June 30, 2018, January 1 to December 31, 2017 and January 1 to December 31, 2016. Data was pulled July 5, 2018*.

Information on visas was provided by the CBSA Performance Reporting Unit (PRU) and IRCC - OPS-STATS, for the period of January 1 to June 30, 2018, as of July 3, 2018* and June 29, 2018* respectively.

Information on inadmissibility reports issued for serious concerns was retrieved from the CIC DWS - Enterprise Data Warehouse - ENF Inadmissibility Report Datamart for the period of January 1 to June 30, 2018. Data was pulled August 8, 2018*.

Information on removals was provided by the CBSA Removals Program, for the period of January 1 to June 30, 2018, as of July 6, 2018*.

Information on overseas interceptions was provided by the CBSA International Operations - International Network Support - Priorities, Performance Management and Reporting Section, for the period of January 1 to June 30, 2018, as of July 10, 2018*.

Information on BTP interceptions was provided by IRCC for the period of April 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018. This information is based on persons coded in the Global Case Management System (GCMS) as persons who entered Canada BTP. This code was not available in GCMS prior to April 2017.

*Any subsequent data changes in the system were not captured.

Countries to Watch

This section will detail five countries that did not make the top 20 source countries for refugee claims in Canada for mid-year 2018, but for a variety of reasons, such as an increasing number of refugee claims and country conditions, were deemed as countries to watch in 2018-2019. Similar to the top 20 source countries, statistical information as well as some basic trend analysis, and push, pull and x-factors will be detailed.

Arrow Legend

	Indicates refugee claims have increased over mid-year 2017.		Indicates refugee claims have decreased compared to mid-year 2017.		Indicates refugee claims are either equal or almost equal to mid-year 2017.
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